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- 1. A system for warming an endoscope, laparoscope, or other such 2 instrument to minimize fogging, comprising:
- a pad for wrapping around the instrument, the pad including a mixture of water

 and sodium acetate to generate heat through an exothermic reaction; and
- an activation disc located around the periphery of the pad to provide for convenient user access.
- 2. The system of claim 1, wherein the activation disc is made of perforated 2 stainless steel.
- 3. The system of claim 1, further including a housing to contain the pad in sleeve form into which the instrument is inserted.
- 4. The system of claim 1, further including a heat-conductive tube to receive the instrument around which the pad is wrapped.
 - 5. The system of claim 1, wherein the pad is partitioned.